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Subject: RE: USEPA Bristol Bay Assessment - Release of Revised Draft Assessment

Current thinking is to submit to the Journal of Hydrology...but not sure yet.

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From: Frithsen, Jeff [mailto:Frithsen.Jeff@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, April 26, 2013 8:36 AM
To: Cameron Wobus
Cc: Aicher, Rebecca
Subject: RE: USEPA Bristol Bay Assessment - Release of Revised Draft Assessment

Thanks Cam!

Great news that you plan to submit to a peer reviewed journal. What journal have you in mind?

Jeff

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Subject: RE: USEPA Bristol Bay Assessment - Release of Revised Draft Assessment

Hi Jeff,

Thanks for the update. We've been eagerly awaiting the release of your revised report, so I look forward to reading it this afternoon.

Just so you know, we are in the process of doing some more work on our modeling project so that it can be submitted to a peer-reviewed journal (by late May). The comments we received from your independent review have been very useful as we've worked towards a revised paper. This version will focus explicitly on climate change as a stressor rather than mining, but once this version is peer-reviewed we should be better poised to insert revised mining and water management scenarios into the model as soon as we see those from PLP.

Congratulations on getting the revisions done!

Cam

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Cam:

On Friday, April 26, the USEPA will release the revised draft Bristol Bay Assessment. The complete revised report can be accessed through the links found on the main Bristol Bay web site: www.epa.gov/bristolbay. The report will be available starting about 1:30 PM EST. The Federal Register Notice will be published on April 30. We have created a public docket which will open on or before April 30 and remain open until Friday, May 31 to receive public comments.

Along with the revised draft assessment, we will be releasing your report (*Potential Hydrologic and Water Quality Alteration from Large-scale mining of the Pebble Deposit in Bristol Bay Alaska: Results from an integrated hydrologic model of a preliminary mine design*) and the corresponding contractor coordinated peer review report.

We thought you would like to know as you just might be contacted about the report and the peer review results.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for submitting your report to the public docket for the previous draft of the Bristol Bay Assessment and for agreeing to let us complete a peer review of the report. Your report helped us improve and expand the assessment and is appropriately cited.

Please do not spread word of the release of the revised assessment until after 1:30 EST Friday. The agency would like to notify key congressional and governmental officials before public announcement.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you again.

Jeff

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